SEAT

The seat is adjustable to obtain the most comfortable position.

To move the seat fore and aft, move the seat release lever upward and slide the seat fore or aft as desired, Figure 1.



Figure 1 — Tractor seat

INSTRUMENT PANEL

LIGHT SWITCH

The light switch, shown in Figure 2, is located on the right side of the instrument panel.

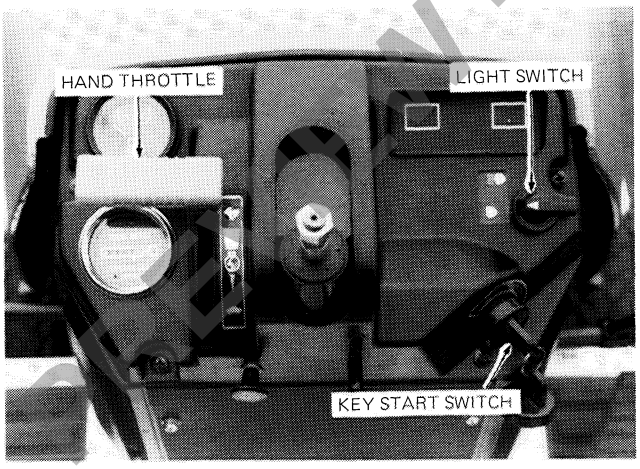

Figure 2 — Instrument Panel

KEY START SWITCH

The key start switch is shown in Figure 2.

1. GT65·75 only

Turning the key to the left will activate the cold-start aid. Turning the key to the right to the "ON" position will activate the warning lights.
Turning the key further right to the "START" position will start the engine. Upon release, the key will spring return to the "ON" position.

2. GT85·95 only

Turning the key to the right to the "ON" position will activate the warning lights.
Turning the key further right to the "START" position will start the engine. Upon release, the key will spring return to the "ON" position.

The starting circut can only be activated when ;
1. Operator is seated,
2. H.S.T foot pedal is released.
3. P.T.O clutch lever is in the "OFF" position.
4. Brake pedal is depressed or parking brake lever is locked.

Always check to make certain the range shift lever and lift control lever are in neutral before attempting to start engine. Refer to page 11 for complete starting instructions.

IMPORTANT : The key start switch must remain in the "ON" position while operating the engine. The warning lights and battery charging system will not function with the switch in the "OFF" position.

WARNING LIGHTS

The light switch, shown in Figure **3** is located on the right side of the instrument panel.

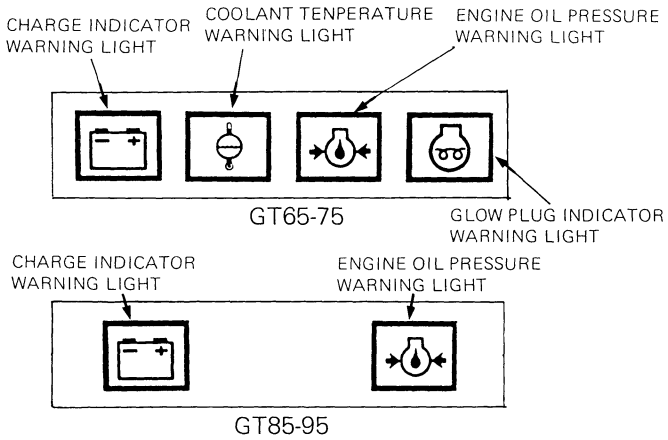

Figure 3 – Warning Lights

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BREAK-IN PROCEDURES

Your Ford Tractor will provide long and dependable service if given proper care during the 50-hour break-in period. During the first 50 hours of operation:

1. Avoid "lugging" the engine. Operating in too high a gear under heavy load may cause engine "lugging", which is indicated when the engine will not respond to a throttle increase.
2. Use the lower gear ratios when pulling heavy loads and avoid continuous operation at constant engine speeds. You will save fuel and minimize engine wear by selecting the correct gear ratio for a particular operation. Operating the tractor in low gear with a light load and high engine speed will waste fuel.
3. Avoid prolonged operation at either high or low engine speeds without a load on the engine.

Check the instruments frequently and keep the oil reservoirs filled to their recommended levels. Regarding GT65·75, please check radiator coolant also.

Daily checks include:

- Engine oil level
- Air cleaner
- Belt tension
- Radiator coolant (GT65·75 only)

STARTING THE ENGINE

Neutral start switches on the tractor allow the starting motor to be used only when the H.S.T. foot pedal is released, the P.T.O. clutch lever is in the "OFF" position when the brake pedal is depressed and the operator is in the seat. For safe operation the shift lever and lift control lever should be in neutral position prior to starting the engine.

WARNING: To avoid injury, never attempt to start the engine while standing beside the tractor – always sit in the seat when starting the engine.

IMPORTANT: Do not engage the starting motor continuously for more than 10 seconds; doing so may cause starting motor failure.

STARTING

To start the engine:

1. GT65·75 only

1) Move the shift lever and lift control lever to the neutral position.
2) Move the hand throttle forward to a near full open position.
3) Turn the key start switch to the "HEAT" to preheat the precombustion chambers and wait until the glow plug indicator warning light on the instrument panel goes out. (for 4 seconds approximately)
4) Turn the key start switch to the "START" position, Figure **11**. When the engine starts, release the key. Check to be sure the warning lights go out.

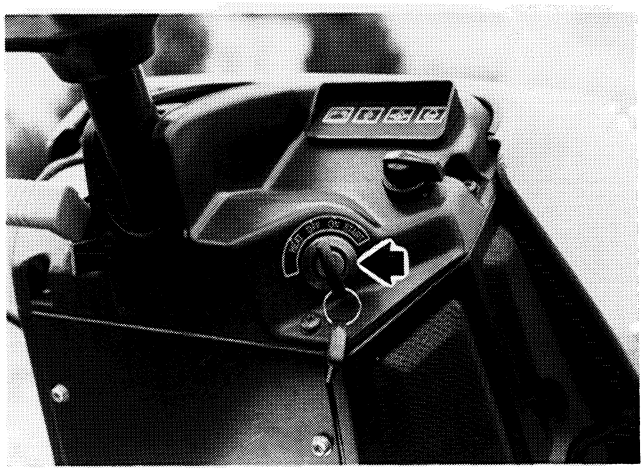

Figure 11 – Key Start Switch (GT65·75)

WARNING: To avoid injury, do not use ether with the thermostart starting aid.

NOTE: A coolant immersion heater which provides for easier starting in temperatures below 0°F (−17.7°C) by warming the engine oil and coolant is available as a dealer installed option.

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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The following precautions are suggested to help prevent accidents.

A careful operator is the best operator. Most accidents can be avoided by observing certain precautions. Read and take the following precautions before operating this tractor to help prevent accidents. Equipment should be operated only by those who are responsible and instructed to do so.

THE TRACTOR

1. Read the Operator's Manual carefully before using the tractor and the mower. Lack of operating knowledge can lead to accidents.

2. Keep the vehicle and attachments in good operating condition and keep safety devices in place.

2. Use the step plates when getting on and off the tractor to prevent falls. Keep steps and platform cleared of mud and debris.

3. Do not permit anyone but the operator to ride on the tractor. There is no safe place for extra riders.
   Replace all missing, illegible, or damaged safety decals. See list of decals on page 45–48.

4. Keep safety decals clean of dirt and grime.

SERVICING THE TRACTOR

1. The cooling system operates under pressure which is controlled by the radiator cap. It is dangerous to remove the cap while system is hot. Always turn cap slowly to the first stop and allow the pressure to escape before removing the cap entirely. (GT65·75)

2. The fuel oil in the injection system is under high pressure and can penetrate the skin. Unqualified persons should not remove or attempt to adjust a pump, injector nozzle or any other part of the fuel injection system. Failure to follow these instructions can result in serious injury. (GT65·75)

3. Do not change governor setting.
   Do not tamper with governor springs, governor links or other parts which may increase the engine speed. (GT85·95)

4. Dirt and grass clippings or other debris in cooling fins or governor parts can affect engine speed. (GT85·95)

5. Do not touch high-tension cord or spark plug cap while engine is running. (GT85·95)

6. To prevent accidental starting when servicing the engine or equipment, always remove the spark plug or wire from the spark plug. (GT85·95)

7. Do not smoke while refueling the tractor. Keep any type of open flame away. Wait for engine to cool before refueling.

8. Keep the tractor in good operating condition for your safety. An improperly maintained tractor can be hazardous.

9. Keep open flame away from battery or cold weather starting aids to prevent fires or explosions. Use jumper cables according to instructions to prevent sparks which could cause explosion.

10. Stop the engine before performing any service on the tractor.

11. Escaping hydraulic fluid or fuel under pressure can penetrate the skin causing serious injury.

    - DO NOT use your hand to check for leaks. Use a piece of cardboard or paper to search for leaks.
    - Stop engine and relieve pressure before connecting or disconnecting lines.
    - Tighten all connections before starting engine or pressurizing lines.

    If fluid is injected into the skin, obtain medical attention immediately or gangrene may result.

12. Do not modify or alter or permit anyone else to modify or alter this tractor or any of its components or any tractor function without first consulting a Ford New Holland Dealer.

13. Some components on your tractor, such as gaskets and friction surfaces (brake pads) may contain asbestos. Breathing asbestos dust is dangerous to your health. You are therefore advised to have any maintenance or repair operations on such components carried out by an authorized Ford New Holland Dealer. If, however, service operations are to be undertaken on parts that contain asbestos, the essential precautions listed below must be observed :

    - Work out of doors or in a well ventilated area.
    - Dust found on the tractor or produced during work on the tractor should be removed by extraction not by blowing.
    - Dust waste should be dampened, placed in a sealed container and marked to ensure safe disposal.
    - If any cutting, drilling, etc., is attempted on materials containing asbestos, the item should be dampened any only hand tools or low speed power tools used.

14. Continous long term contact with used engine oil has caused skin cancer in animal tests. Avoid prolonged skin contact with used engine oil. Wash skin promptly with soap and water.

OPERATING THE TRACTOR

1. Release the H.S.T. foot pedal, apply the parking brake, place the P.T.O. clutch lever in the OFF position, the lift control lever in LOWER position and the transmission in neutral before starting the tractor.

2. Do not start the engine or operate controls while standing beside the tractor. Always sit in the tractor seat when starting the engine or operating controls.

3. Do not bypass the neutral safety start switch. Consult your Ford New Holland Dealer if your neutral safety start controls malfuncion. Use jumper cables only in the recommended manner. Improper use can result in tractor runaway.

4. Avoid accidental contact with the gear shift lever while the engine is running. Unexpected tractor movement can result from such contact.

5. Do not get off the tractor while it is in motion. (cont.)

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